

Response to Office Action Mailed April 20, 2007
Patent 09/878,009

RESPONSE

Claims 1 and 4-20 are pending in the application. Claims 1 and 19 are independent format.

Claims 21-41 were included by the Examiner in the last few Office Actions and the Applicant responded to the Examiner's comments about these claims. However, the Applicant confirmed these claims were previously canceled by another attorney at another law firm on June 8, 2001, before the Applicant's attorney began working on this matter.

The Applicant inadvertently included these claims that were previously canceled because the Examiner retained rejections on those claims in the last few Office Actions.

The Applicant has only included an amended Claims Section herewith.

As a result the Amendment and Response filed April 9, 2007, with these claims was deemed non-compliant. These amendments are not intended to surrender any equivalents based on the case law related to the Doctrine of Equivalents.

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Patent 09/878,009**CONCLUSION**

The prior art made of record in the Office Action but not relied upon by the Examiner is no more pertinent to Applicant's invention than the cited reference for the reasons given above. The Applicant therefore submits that all of the claims in their present form are immediately allowable and requests the Examiner withdraw the §103(a) rejections of the claims and pass all of the claims to allowance.

Respectfully submitted.

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